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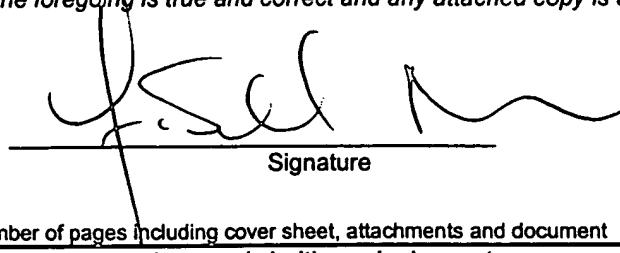
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Application No.: 09/904,449; and

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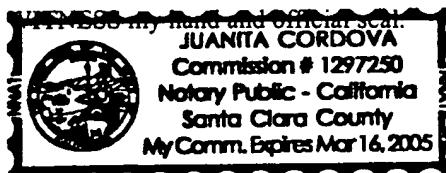
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On 10-8-01, before me, Juanita Cordova,
personally appeared Hawley K. Rising, III, personally known to me (or proved to me on the
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